

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1635

Introduced by Assembly Member McCarthy

February 22, 2005

An act to amend Section 14611 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to Medi-Cal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1635, as introduced, McCarthy. Medi-Cal: hospital reimbursement.

Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Services and under which qualified low-income persons receive health care benefits. Existing law declares the intent of the Legislature to enact a method for reimbursing hospitals for inpatient and outpatient services provided to Medi-Cal beneficiaries on a prospectively negotiated contractual basis and to develop and test alternatives that would become the basis for a permanent contracting system.

This bill would revise this language to state the intent that the alternatives become the basis for a permanent contracting system specifically for hospital reimbursement.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 14611 of the Welfare and Institutions
- 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 14611. It is the intention of the Legislature to enact a method
- 4 for reimbursing hospitals for inpatient and outpatient services

1 provided to Medi-Cal beneficiaries on a prospectively negotiated
2 contractual basis. The provisions of this article are intended to
3 develop and test alternatives for contractually arranging for the
4 payment and delivery of ~~such~~ *those* services which will become
5 the basis for a permanent contracting system *for hospital*
6 *reimbursement.*

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